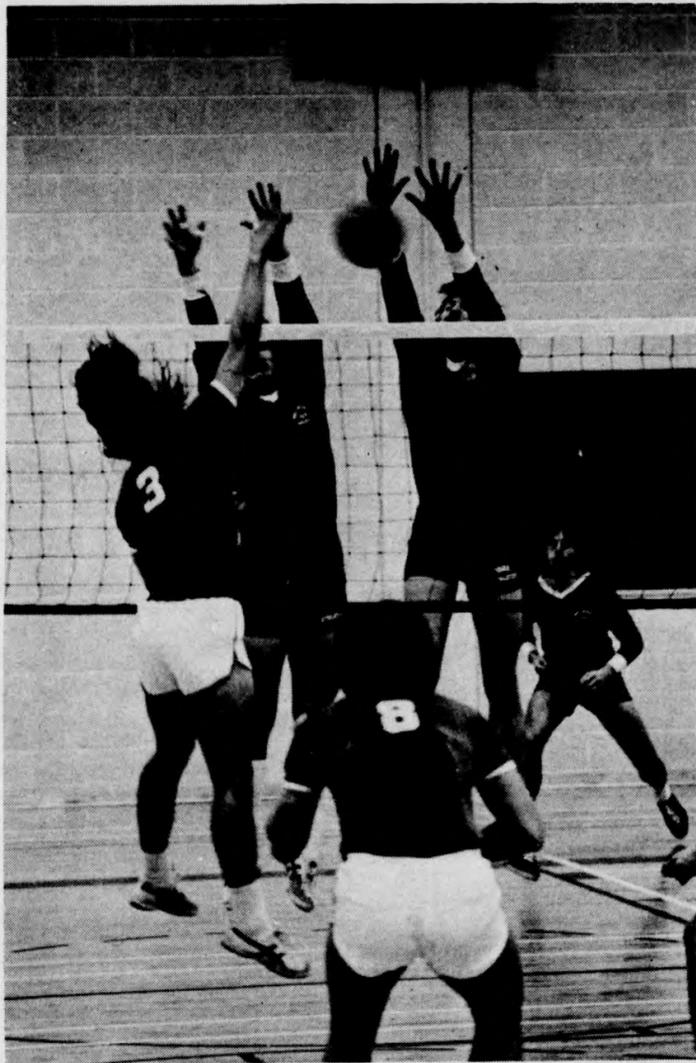


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Down Varsity by 15-6, 15-11

## V-ball Yeomen clinch spot in OUAA playoffs



York's Orest Stanko and Gary Mees (left to right in the dark uniforms) block an attempted spike by Varsity's Maris Silins (3). The Yeomen went on to insure possession of a playoff spot by downing the University Of Toronto by scores of 15-6, 15-11.

## Last minute effort failed, Guelph edge puckwomen

By MARG POSTE

Close, not quite close enough was the story last Tuesday night as the York Yeowomen lost a hotly contested 2-1 game at the University of Guelph.

Both teams started out cautiously, with Guelph scoring late in the first period on a low shot which beat York goalie Jean Panagopka.

Play picked up in the second period with both goalies being called upon to make exceptional saves. Mid-way through this period York's Nancy Manning, digging the puck from the corner, passed back to the point and Marg Poste's shot caught the lower right corner to put York right back in the game with a 1-1 tie score.

With 10 seconds remaining in the second period, Guelph thought they had scored from a pile-up around the net but the referee signalled "no goal" and called for a face-off deep in York territory. A shot from the ensuing face-off beat Panagopka from close in and put Guelph ahead 2-1 in the final two seconds of the period.

In the third period, the York forwards took the attack to the Guelph doorstep. With every woman playing up, the team was caught up ice several times but were saved by steady netminding by Panagopka.

With less than two minutes in the game, coach Bruce Shilton sent out a makeshift line with Liz Bowes at centre, Cathy Brown at right wing and Marg Poste on left wing. This unit was unable to tie the score as shot after shot was kicked out or deflected from the Guelph net.

Finally, with less than a minute left in the game York's Cathy Brown was on the receiving end of a penalty call. Playing four women to five, York continued to hem Guelph in until the dying seconds of the game.

York's defensive standout was Debbie Cate who foiled many Guelph attacks with her strong blue line play. Rookie defenceman Helen Wickham also played well in breaking up several two on one plays.

The team leaves early Friday morning to attend the Loyola Invitational Tournament in Montreal and upon returning will host McMaster on Jan. 23 at the Ice Palace, at 7:00 p.m.

The Yeowomen are selling "Up York" buttons to help finance their trip to Montreal. A Yule Log raffle was successful and funds were obtained to pay half the cost of the bus. These buttons will help to supply the remainder of the necessary funds.

## York wrestler takes second

By TONY DETHOMASIS

KINGSTON — Only four wrestlers participated in Queen's first invitational tournament here this weekend and only one, Tony Dethomas, was able to place. He finished second in the 177-pound weight class, behind John Davis of the Europa Olympic Club of Toronto.

All teams were allowed to field ten men, one for each weight class. York only fielded four as coach Emil VanWouw felt the remainder of the team was not in competitive shape.

By MARTY HERSON

The Volleyball Yeomen, with one tournament left to play, have already earned a playoff berth as a result of tournament play here Saturday.

Victories Saturday have left York in a comfortable position where they can finish no worse than second place in the eastern division of the OUAA.

The Yeomen presently have an 8-1 won-loss record and are trailing Queen's who hold down the top spot with a 9-0 record.

Teams competing in last Saturday's tournament here were University of Toronto, Laurentian and Ryerson. The Yeomen had to beat Toronto in order to clinch a playoff spot.

York first defeated the winless, less experienced squad from Pearson by scores of 15-7, 15-2.

The next match was the important one of the tournament between the Yeomen and the Varsity Blues. York immediately took the serve away from Toronto and struck for an early 7-0 lead. The Yeomen went on to win the game by an impressive 15-6 margin.

The second game started out in reverse, with Toronto taking a sudden 4-0 margin, but the Yeomen fought back to tie the score. With the score 9 all, the Yeomen took command and defeated Toronto 15-11 to

take the match and more importantly a playoff position.

The final match with Laurentian was anti-climactic, as was evident in the frequent substituting made by Coach Turdo Bompia. In the end, scores were in favour of the Yeomen 15-2, 15-7.

The Yeomen looked sharp in employing a 6-0 multiple offence, which involves a setter coming from the backcourt to set either of the three netmen for the spike.

Coach Bompia was particularly pleased with the Yeomen defensive effort. The team was really hustling and diving for the ball.

York received fine spiking and blocking from Marty Herson, Gary Mees, Dionne Rugosi, Yuri Tarnavskyj, and Gord Fordyce.

The setting was impressive as Oridt Stanko and Hohn Eliashevsky took complete command directing the Yeomen attack throughout play.

Next week at Ryerson, the Yeomen will compete in their final tournament of the season, playing against Carleton, Ottawa, and Queen's. First place in the eastern division is at stake. The first place team in the eastern division is to host the OUAA Championships on Jan. 27.

## Mustangs hand puckmen second defeat of regular season

By ED PIOWARCZYK

LONDON—A four-goal third period wasn't enough to turn back a hot club as York's hockey Yeomen lost last 6-5 to the Western Mustangs here Thursday.

John Hirst led the York scorers with two goals, while Paul Cerre, Barry Jenkins and Ron Maecck added singles.

Western last lost 8-1 to the Varsity Blues on Dec. 6 but had since taken four in a row, including victories over Michigan and Bowling Green and a 7-4 win against third-place Laurentian.

The Mustangs' forechecking upset the Yeomen attack throughout the game, making it difficult for York to move the puck out of its own end and allowing the Yeomen few chances around the Western net.

The York defensive corps had problems all night in moving the puck out of their own end. They were

also guilty of a number of giveaways in the York end, with an errant pass setting up Mustang Rick Smith in the slot to notch the winning marker.

Both York netminder Greg Harrison and Western goalie Peter Lambert were forced to make big saves during the game but didn't look sharp on some of the goals they let in.

Harrison looked good when the play was in close but was questionable on some of the long shots aimed at him from the point. Lambert also let in some soft goals, such as Maecck's long backhand from the Western blue line.

Western held a slim 2-1 lead after two periods, with all the goals coming on the power play. The Yeomen opened scoring in the first period on a goal by Jenkins only to have the Mustangs tie the score before the end of the period and go ahead in the second.

In the final frame, both teams exploded to score eight goals. Cerre tied it up early in the period on a power play marker and Hirst gave York a short-lived lead. A see-sawing scoring battle then ensued, with Western coming up with the winning margin.

PUCKNOTES: Western outshot York 43-27. The Mustangs outshot the Yeomen 17-7 in the third period, with York scoring its last three goals on three consecutive shots on goal.

York is currently in second place in the eastern division of the OUAA, four points back of the undefeated Varsity Blues. As of Jan. 7, Jenkins and Al Avery led the eastern OUAA scorers, Jenkins with 19, Avery with 18. The Yeomen will host the Ryerson Rams tomorrow night at 8:15 at the Ice Palace before travelling to Sudbury for a Sunday afternoon contest against Laurentian.

## V-ball women make semi-finals

By DOREEN MAGERMAN

On the weekend York's Volleyball Yeowomen travelled to Waterloo University to participate in its Sixth Annual Women's Invitational Volleyball Tournament, a two day event with 12 teams participating.

York successfully advanced to the semi-finals before being defeated by the University of Western Ontario, who won the championship against the University of Toronto. Each team met 8 other squads in the round robin action.

On Friday York met Waterloo Lutheran in their opening match and took both games, 15-4, 15-4. The team then went on to defeat Carleton, 15-8, 15-11, split with Dalhousie University 9-15, 15-8, and complete the day's play by taking two games from Queen's by scores of 15-11, 15-

13. The end of the first day of action saw Western, Toronto and Waterloo tied for first followed by York and McMaster.

The calibre of volleyball was high, with York displaying probably their best play of the season thus far. Only in the first game against Dalhousie did York's pace slow to the point where they were unable to generate any real offense to pick up the hard Dalhousie hits; however, the team regrouped to take the second game.

Fine performances were turned in by setter Sandy Silver, Jane Stewart, whose excellent spiking was largely responsible for the victory against Queens, and Doreen Magerman who played a strong defensive game in the first day's action.

Saturday saw York win matches against Ottawa, 15-4, 15-12, and Laurentian, 18-16, 15-6, before being

defeated by Western 15-12, 15-9. York bounced back to take the final match with Guelph 15-9, 15-6. At the end of the round robin play York stood an impressive second with 13 points, behind Western and Toronto who were tied for first with 16 points apiece. In the semi-finals U of T defeated Dalhousie, and York lost to Western 15-2, 15-4.

The Yeowomen seemed to have tired too much after the full day of action to get up enough hustle to fight the strong Western squad. The team began to play "stand-up" volleyball. Rather than playing the hustling type of game that had characterized their play all weekend, the team began to stand on their heels, unprepared and poorly positioned for the Western offensive attack.

Despite the poor display in the final match York was otherwise impressive in losing only three of sixteen games. Defensive positioning showed great improvement and a strong offensive attack was generated with leading contributions being made by Marg Ingle, Judy Trevelyan and Chris Barrick.

The regular schedule resumes this weekend after the long Christmas break with the second place Yeowomen travelling to Ottawa to meet Carleton tomorrow and Ottawa on Saturday.

Other York combatants were John Pickard in the 149 class, Lorne Pallinsk at 157 pounds and John Galli at 142 pounds.

Galli, a freshman, was impressive in downing his competition from Ryerson and Europa before losing a close bout to a Guelph grappler.

York intends to field a full ten-man squad this Saturday for the Metro Open at Newtonbrook Collegiate, a competition open to any wrestler in the Toronto area.